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## REMARKS

Applicant has amended claim 67 to clarify the claim language. The mixed linkages recited in claim 67 indicate that different side chains are attached to the backbone of the glucan. The mixed linkage recited in claim 67 is further defined in claim 81 and 88 as 1,3-1,4 mixed linkages and 1,3-1,6 mixed linkages, respectively.

Claims 68-119 remain unchanged and are identical to the claims presented in Applicant's March 31, 2005 Amendment in Response to December 17, 2004 Office Action.

## CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in the Non-final Office action and place this Application in conditions for allowance.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, Applicant's undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Amendment. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 50-1891.

Respectfully submitted,

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